

JESUS HELPED AT A WEDDING

John 2:1-11

Introduction: Although Jesus never had a wife and a family of His own, He was welcomed many times by those who did to eat with them, to stay with them and to use their home as His own. Jesus was comfortable in a family atmosphere and His first recorded miracle was done at a wedding that He and Disciples had been invited.

1. It Was a Family Event.

- The family was God's first divine institution given to man.
- The Bible is built around family situations.
- God's relationship with mankind is family oriented.
- America's family situation is in great danger.
 - Over half of the marriages end in divorce.
 - Children are being raised by single parents.

2. Jesus Was For Weddings.

- Marriage is good.
- God has guidelines for each family member and when followed, a successful marriage results.
- The husband is to love his wife as Jesus loves the Church.
- The wife is to submit to her husband as the Church submits to Jesus Christ.
- Children are to obey their parents as Christians are to obey the Lord Jesus Christ.

3. A Need Arose at the Wedding.

- The host/hostess ran out of wine.
- Every day needs arise which are beyond a family's ability to cope.
 - Jobs, sickness, death, etc.
- Who did the host/hostess turn to for help at the wedding?
- Who do we turn to today when we are also in need?

4. Jesus Was Called to Help.

- Mary, who was the hostess, called upon Jesus to help.
- Few families in trouble ever turn to God first.
 - They turn to lawyers, friends, courts, but never Jesus.
- Jesus is only a prayer away.
- Who among us today is having family problems?
 - Who has just about "reached their end?"

5. Jesus Gave Instructions.

- Jesus told the waiters to go fill pots with water.
- God's Word is filled with Words of instruction.
- Meditation upon God's Word reveals divine answers, solutions.

6. Obedience Brought the Needed Help.

- The waiters/servants did what Jesus told them to do.
 - Fill water jars with water.
- God's Word is filled with instructions, with light but do no good if not obeyed.
- God gives all the guidance a family needs but:
 - Husbands must love their wives.
 - Wives must submit to their husbands.
 - Children must obey their parents.

7. The Need Was More than Met.

- Not only did Jesus provide the needed wine, but it was the best.
- God always gives the best.
- God can be depended upon in all situations.

CONCLUSION:

1. The first recorded miracle of Jesus, that of turning water into wine at a wedding, reveals that the family is very important to the Lord.
2. God has the solutions any family or family member might need in any situation.
3. However, after going to God with one's situation, obedience to what God instructs must be followed.
4. How often do YOU go to the Lord with your family situations?